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TS1 3AA
July, 1975.

To: The Chairman and Members of The
River Tees Port Health Authority.

I have pleasure in presenting my Annual Report for the year ended 31st December, 1974.

There have been some changes during the year due to Local Government Reorganisation.

Dr. J. R. Donaldson retired as Port Medical Officer and I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for all the help he gave to me during my association with him.

Provision of medical advice to this Authority become the responsibility of the National Health Service and Dr. J. E. H. Tullis was appointed as Port Medical Officer. This was no new experience of Dr. Tullis as he has always been heavily involved with Port Health work.

I should like to record my gratitude to the staff of the Tees and Hartlepool Port Authority, H.M. Customs and Excise, Immigration Officers, the Tees Pilotage Authority and colleagues in the riparian local authorities for their help and co-operation. I would also ike to pay tribute to the Public Analyst and the Public Health Laboratory Service for their help and advice which is so essential to the successful working of the Authority, and to the invaluable work of Mr. K. Abigail, Clerk to the Authority.

Finally, I take this opportunity of thanking personally you, Mr. Chairman and Members of the Port Health Authority, for your support and encouragement during the year.

W. B. CURRY,
Chief Port Health Officer,
River Tees Port Health Authority.

THE TEESSIDE ORDER, 1967

ARTICLE 32

1. In the River Tees Port Sanitary Order (1925(b)), for the second schedule—

   (a) in article 5(1)(a) for "the number of members of the joint board shall be increased to twenty-five" there shall be substituted "the number of members of the joint board shall be seventeen."

   (b) for the second schedule thereto there shall be substituted the schedule set out in Schedule 9.

2. The members of the River Tees Port Health Authority other than the members appointed by the council of the county borough of Hartlepool shall retire on the appointed day. Members shall be appointed by the new county borough council to come into office on the appointed day and hold office until 4th June, 1969.

3. If the Hartelpool Order 1966 is not approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament paragraph (2) and Schedule 9 shall have effect with the substitution for the "council of the County borough of Hartlepool" of "the rural district council of Stockton."

4. Article 59 of the County of Durham Review Order 1936 (c) and article 54 of the County of Durham Review Order 1937 (d) shall cease to have effect.

5. The River Tees Port Sanitary Order 1925, the River Tees Port Health Amendment Order 1938(e), the Port Health Authorities (Election and Retirement of Members) Order 1950(f) and this article may be cited together as the River Tees Port Health Orders 1925 to 1967.

RIVER TEES PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

JURISDICTION

The River Tees Port Sanitary Authority was constitute by an Order of the Local Government Board in 1886, the jurisdiction of the Authority being so much of the Ports of Middlesbrough and Stockton as lie between the bridge which crosses the River Tees at Stockton and an imaginary straight line drawn from and including the South Gare Breakwater to a point at which the Port of Middlesbrough joins the Port of Hartlepool, together with the waters of the said port within such limits, and the places for the time being appointed as the Customs Boarding Stations for the said portions of the Ports of Middlesbrough and Stockton above described and every other place for the time being appointed for the mooring or anchoring of ships within the said portions of the said ports, under any regulations for the prevention of the spread of diseases issued under the authority of the Statutes in that behalf. And the Watersides of the District constituted as aforesaid and the Docks, Basins and Creeks belonging to the said portions of the said ports which are included in such district.

This comprises about 10 miles of river with the wharves and docks, etc., on both banks.

RIVER TEES PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

MEMBERSHIP 1974/75

Representing Hartlepool D.C.
- Councillor H. S. Gardner
- Councillor W. S. Jervis, J.P.

Representing Langbaurgh D.C.
- Councillor Mrs. I. M. Cole
- Councillor J. S. Dyball
- Councillor R. Hall, F.I.D.
- Councillor W. Herlingshaw — Chairman
- Councillor S. Tombe

Representing Middlesbrough D.C.
- Councillor D. A. Biewer, S.R.N., R.M.N.
- Councillor G. A. Burns — Vice-Chairman
- Councillor Mrs. M. C. Dancey, S.R.N., H.V.
- Councillor L. Poole, B.E.M., J.P.
- Councillor R. W. Porter

Representing Stockton D.C.
- Councillor B. C. Hodgson
- Councillor J. Hudson
- Councillor Mrs. M. O.'Brien, S.R.N.
- Councillor W. E. Reveley
- Councillor L. A. Watson

Clerk to the Authority:
K. Abigail, LL.B., Solicitor

Treasurer to the Authority:
E. Robinson, I.P.F.A.

Port Medical Officer (Seconded from the Cleveland Area Health Authority):
J. E. H. Tullis, M.B., Ch.B., L.R.C.P.(Edin.), L.R.C.S.(Edin.), L.R.F.P. & S.(Glasg.), M.F.C.M.

SECTION I — STAFF

TABLE A

Name of Officer	Nature of Appointment	Date of Appointment
W. B. Curry, M.E.H.A.	Chief Port Health Officer	1.1.1972
R. M. Chalmers, M.E.H.A.	Deputy Chief Port Health Officer	1.5.1972
J. R. Darling	Assistant Port Health Officer	1.5.1966
A. J. Bocock	Technical Assistant	25.6.1973
J. Buckton	Technical Assistant	Aug., 1927 to 13.3.1974

ADDRESSES

Chief Port Health Officer :

79 Borough Road, MIDDLESBROUGH, Cleveland. TS 1 3AA
Telephone Number : (0642) 43129
Telegraphic Address : " PORTELTH MIDDLESBROUGH "

Clerk to the Authority :

Langbaurgh Town Hall, Fabian Road, South Bank,
MIDDLESBROUGH, Cleveland. TS6 9AR
Telephone Number : (06-495) 68141

SECTION II

AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE DISTRICT DURING THE YEAR

TABLE B

Ships from	Number	Tonnage (Net)	Number inspected		Number of Ships reported as having or having had during the voyage, infectious disease on board
			By a Port Medical Officer	By a Port Health Officer	
Foreign Ports ...	2,188	8,358,207	65	2,105	2
Coastwise ...	1,798	2,644,639	—	1,546	—
Total	3,986	11,002,846	65	3,651	2

The amount of shipping entering the Port during the year showed a decrease of 232 vessels, i.e. 3,986 ships as against 4,218 in 1973.

A comparison with the year 1969 is given below:

Year	Arrivals	Net Tonnage
1969	4,198	8,854,587
1974	3,986	11,002,846

SECTION III

CHARACTER OF SHIPPING AND TRADE DURING THE YEAR

TABLE C

Passenger Traffic	Number Passengers Outwards	3,478
	Number Passengers Inwards	3,689
Cargo Traffic	Principal IMPORTS	Crude Oils, Iron Ore, Chemicals, Petroleum Products, Other Ores, Crude Fertilisers & Crude Minerals.
	Principal EXPORTS	Petrol Oils, Chemicals, Slag, Iron & Steel, Chemical Fertilisers, Machinery, Pitch, Manufactured Goods.

Principal Ports from which ships arrive: Rotterdam, Rozenburg, Antwerp, Copenhagen, Hamburg, Zueitina, Terneuzen, Narvik, Bremen, Gothenburg, Helsinki, Ras Es Sider, Stenungsund, Oslo, Brunsbuttel, Dakar, Le Harve, Puerto Miranda, Bayonne, Eleusis, Japanese, South African & West African Ports.

SECTION IV — INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC

There is no barge traffie on the River Tees.

SECTION V — WATER SUPPLY

1. (a) Souree of supply for the distriet: The water is drawn from the Teesside Water supply, whieh is maintained by the Tees Valley and Cleveland Water Board. This water is kept under eonstant supervision and is abundant and of good quality.

   (b) For shipping: Vessels obtain their supplies from hydrants on the wharves and doeks, the town supply serving these hydrants. There are no water boats in serviee on the Tees.

   Some of the tugs in service in the port are oeeasionally ealled upon to supply drinking water to ships that have been delayed at anehorage in Tees Bay.

2. Preeautions taken against contamination of hydrants and hose pipes. Hydrant Boxes are eovered by elose fitting steel eovers when not in use, and all hoses are kept in specially eonstructed lockers. Frequent ehecks are undertaken to see that these arrangements are strietly eomplied with.

3. One hundred and twenty-three samples of drinking water were taken from vessels and hydrants during the year under review and submitted for baeteriologieal examination.

   No adverse report was received in respect of four samples taken from various hydrants and hoses. Water supply personnel are to be eommended on the way they have carried out their duties whieh at times ean be under most adverse eonditions for without the effieient maintenanee of hydrants, stand-pipes and supply hoses it would not be possible to ensure 100% potable supply of drinking water.

   Seven of the remaining one hundred and nineteen samples proved to be unsatisfaetory. In all instanees of adverse bacteriological reports the Master of the vessel eoneerned is notified, tank cleaning proeedure is carried out followed by chlorination of tanks, pipeline systems, ete. Follow up samples are taken after the necessary work has been completed to verify that the eontamination has been eliminated. Excellent eo-operation has always been given by the vessels owners and masters.

   In the event of the ship sailing from the port before the results of sampling is known the owners are given detailed information should the sample prove to be unsatisfactory. Instruetions are then passed by them to the Master. When the vessel is proeeeding eoastwise, the U.K. port health authority eoneerned is given full details of the condition prevailing onboard for any necessary aetion they think fit.

SECTION VI — PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS) REGULATIONS, 1970

1. **List of infected areas :**

Lists of infected areas are compiled each week from the Weekly Record of quarantinable disease and copies are supplied to H.M. Customs Waterguard, Tees Pilotage Authority, Tees Harbour Master and Immigration Officers.

2. **Radio Messages :**

(a) It has not been found necessary up to the present at this port to send permission by radio for ships to enter the district. Arrangements have been made however to send such messages through Cullercoats Radio Station.

(b) Arrangements have been made for radio messages from ships to be sent direct to the duty Port Officer either in plain language or in code using the 1969 International Code of Signals.

3. **Notification otherwise than by radio (Regulation 14(1)(b)) :**

Arragements have been made for messages to be sent by morse code in Tees Bay to the Light keepers on the breakwater and such messages are telephoned to the duty Port Health Officer. Ships with infectious disease onboard are held in quarantine until visited by the Port Medical Officer.

4. **Mooring Stations (Regulation 22–30) :**

Ships which are infected or suspected on account of one of the major infectious diseases will be directed to Ichaboe Buoys. Should this prove impracticable owing to the length and draft of the vessel a quay berth would be allocated to her. Ships entering the Port with a case or suspected case of infectious disease, other than one of the major infectious diseases are allowed to proceed to their place of mooring, but are quarantined until visited by a Port Medical Officer and declared clear.

SECTION VIII — SMALLPOX

1. **Name of Isolation Hospital to which smallpox cases are sent from the district :**

Langley Park Isolation Hospital (near Durham City)
Telephone Number : 038-574-302.

Dryburn Hospital must be alerted to the possibility of having to open Langley Park Isolation Hospital and make ready to receive smallpox case. Adequate notice is required. Absolute minimum time required is not less than two hours and this would have to be extended in winter conditions.

2. **Arrangements for the transport of such cases to hospital by ambulance :**

Vessels concerned would be quarantined at a berth alongside allocated by the Harbour Master.

Case(s) would be removed to Langley Park Isolation Hospital by Durham County Ambulance Service.

Telephone Number : 0385-64488

3. **Name(s) of Smallpox Consultant available :**

These are in accordance with the Department of Health regional panel of consultants :

Dr. T. A. Grimson,
Dryburn Hospital.
Telephone : Hospital No. 0368-64911 Home : 078-384-3260

Dr. J. R. Lauckner,
Newcastle General Hospital.
Telephone : Hospital No. 0632-36206 Home : 0632-887037

4. **Facilities for Laboratory Diagnosis of Smallpox :**

These facilities are provided at the Area Public Health Laboratory, Newcastle General Hospital.

Public Health Laboratory	Telephone No. 0632-38811 (Ex. 297)
Director : Dr. J. H. Hale	Home Tel. No. 0632-676624
Asst. Director : Dr. A. A. Codd	Home Tel. No. 066-12-3598

The vaccinal state of the Porth Health Authority is reviewed regularly.

SECTION VIII — VENEREAL DISEASE

There are Special Treatment Centres at the General Hospital, Ayresome Green Lane, Middlesbrough ; and North Tees General Hospital, Hardwick, Stockton.

All seamen found to be suffering from these diseases are directed to attend for treatment.

Treatment is available at the General Hospital, Middlesbrough :

Monday and Friday	10 a.m.	—	Noon
Wednesday and Thursday	4-30 p.m.	—	6 p.m.

North Tees General Hospital, Stockton :

Tuesday	4-30 p.m.	—	6 p.m.

The number of merchant seamen attending the clinic is again lower than the previous year.

SECTION IX — TABLE D

CASES OF NOTIFIABLE AND OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES ON SHIPS

Category	Disease	Number of cases during the year		Number of ships concerned
		Passengers	Crew	
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports	Malaria	—	1	1
	Measles	1	—	1
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign ports but have been disposed of before arrival	—	—	—	—
Cases landed from other ships	—	—	—	—

SECTION X

OBSERVATIONS ON THE OCCURRENCE OF MALARIA ON SHIPS

There has been one case of Malaria fever on vessels arriving in the port.

SECTION XI

MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST SHIPS INFECTED WITH OR SUSPECTED FOR PLAGUE

There have not been any vessels arriving in the port infected with or suspected for plague during the year.

SECTION XII

MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

1. **Procedure for inspection of ships for rats:**

All ships arriving in the port from foreign ports and as many coastwise vessels as is possible are inspected by the inspectorial staff and a thorough search is made for indications of rodent infestation.

Where indications of rodent infestation are found traps are set and specimens are submitted to the Public Health Laboratory for examination and the vessel is ordered to be deratted, either by fumigation, poisoning or trapping, according to the circumstances.

2. **Arrangements for pathological examination of rodents:**

Arrangements have been made for the pathological examination of rodents at the Public Health Laboratory, Middlesbrough General Hospital.

3. **Arrangements in the district for deratting ships and the methods used:**

Deratting of ships at this port is carried out either by fumigation with H.C.N. or Methyl Bromide. In certain cases poisoning is carried out by means of Sodium Fluoroacetate.

TABLE E

RODENTS DESTROYED DURING THE YEAR ON SHIPS FROM FOREIGN PORTS

Category	Number
Black Rats	155
Brown Rats	Nil
Sent for Examination ...	2
Infected with Plague ...	Nil

In addition, 21 Brown rats were caught and destroyed on wharves.

TABLE F

DERATTING CERTIFICATES AND DERATTING EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES ISSUED DURING THE YEAR

Number of Deratting Certificates Issued					No. of Deratting Exemption Certificates Issued	Total Certificates Issued
After Fumigation with		After Trapping	After Poisoning	Total		
HCN	Other Fumigants					
2	Nil	Nil	Nil	2	119	121

SECTION XIII — INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCES

TABLE G

INSPECTION NOTICES

Nature and number of inspections		Notices served		Result of serving Notice
		Statutory Notices	Other Notices	
Foreign going vessels	2,105	Nil	42	42 Remedied
Coastwise	1,546	Nil	15	15 Remedied
TOTAL	3,651	Nil	57	57 Remedied

GENERAL SANITARY SUPERVISION

During the year 57 informal notices dealing with 98 nuisances were served.

Alleyway Bulkhead to repair ...	1
Alleyway Composition Deck to repair	1
Bathroom Door to repair ...	2
Bathroom Door to replace ...	1
Bathroom to repaint	3
Calorifier to repair	2
Cockroach Infestation	7
Deck Tiles to repair	2
Domestic Refrigerator Door to repair	1
Domestic Refrigerator Door Handle to repair	1
Domestic Tank Pump to repair	1
Fresh Water Tanks to clean and wash out after oil contamination	1
Fumigation of Bone Cargo ...	1
Galley Equipment to clean ...	1
Galley Mixing Bowl to overhaul	1
Galley Sink Waste Pipe to tighten up	1
Galley Stove Uptake to repair	1
Galley to clean	1
Galley to clean and repaint ...	5
Galley to repaint	2
Galley Utensils to clean ...	1
Galley Working Surfaces to clean	3
Heating System Pipework to repair	1
Messroom Boiler to repair ...	1
Messroom to clean and repaint	1
Pantry Working Surfaces to clean	1
Port Glass to repair	3
Port Hinges to repair	1
Potato Peeling Machine to repair	1
Quay to clean after sewage discharge	1
Scuppers to clear	9
Shower Room to repaint ...	1
Smoke Emissions	22
Toilets and Alleyways to clean and repaint	1
Toilet Bowl to renew	1
Toilet Bowl to repair	1
Toilet Deckhead to repaint ...	1
Toilet Floor Tiling to renew ...	1
Toilet Flush Handle to repair	1
Toilet Flushwater Supply to restore	1
Toilet Seat to renew	1
Toilet to clean	1
Toilet to clean and repaint ...	1
Toilet to repaint	1
Toilet Valve to repair	2
Washbasin to repair	2
Washbasin Wastepipe to repair	1
	98

SECTION XIV

PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELLFISH) REGULATIONS 1934 and 1948

The Regulations refer to the gathering and sale for human consumption of Shellfish which may be infected.

In 1932 the River Tees Port Health Authority made Regulations under the Public Health Act, 1896, prohibiting the sale or offering for sale any mussels, cockles, periwinkles or other shellfish taken from within the District, unless and until such Shellfish have been relaid for such period as may be directed.

There are no beds laid in the Tees estuary. The River Police keep the collecting of Shellfish from the banks of the river under observation.

All Shellfish in the area are liable to pollution. No action has been taken during the year under the above Regulations or the Food and Drugs Act, 1955.

SECTION XV

MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS AND COMMONWEALTH IMMIGRANTS

1. **List of Medical Inspectors of Aliens and Commonwealth Immigrants holding Warrants of appointment:**

   Dr. P. S. R. Burrell, District Community Physician, North Tees Health District.
   Dr. J. A. Davison, Specialist in Community Medicine (Child Health), Cleveland Area Health Authority.
   Dr. H. C. Milligan, District Community Physician, Hartlepool Health District.
   Dr. R. Taylor, Senior Medical Officer, Cleveland Area Health Authority.
   Dr. J. Tilley, Specialist in Community Medicine (Local Authority Liason), Cleveland Area Health Authority.
   Dr. J. Tolland, District Community Physician, South Tees Health District.
   Dr. J. E. H. Tullis, Senior Medical Officer, Cleveland Area Health Authority, and Port Medical Officer.
   Dr. A. Young, Senior Medical Officer, Hartlepool Health District.

2. **List of other staff engaged in the work:** None.

3. **Organisation of Work:**

   The Port Medical Officer is notified of all alien passengers, including stowaways arriving in the port and arrangements are made for a Medical Officer to examine them onboard before they are allowed to disembark.

4a. **Nature and amount of Alien Traffic:**

The majority of alien passengers arriving in the port during the year are pleasure visitors using the new roll on/roll off ferry service from Scheveningen, Holland.

The total number of alien passengers arriving in the port during the year was 2,390.

4b. **Commonwealth Immigrants :**

Number of Arrivals	Number Medically Examined	Number Landed Conditionally
97	—	—

5. **Accommodation for Medical Inspector and Examination :**

Aliens and Commonwealth Immigrants are generally examined on board but accommodation is available at one of a number of clinics nominated by the Port Medical Officer or at the Port Health Authority premises, for the inspection of individual cases.

IMMIGRATION ACT, 1971

Commonwealth passengers arriving and leaving the port :

January – December, 1974

Arriving at the port ...	97
Departures	158

SECTION XVI — MISCELLANEOUS

Arrangements for the burial on shore of persons who have died on board ship from infectious disease.

Dead bodies of persons who have died on board from infectious disease would be removed to the Mortuary at West Lane Hospital, whence they would be disposed of.

RETURN OF CASES OF SICKNESS OR INJURY FOUND ON VESSELS ENTERING THE PORT

Ankle Broken	1	Malaria	1
Arm Strain	1	Measles	1
Back and Crutch Injury ...	1	Muscle Strain	2
Back Pain	2	Respiratory Complaint	1
Back Strain	1	Ribs Cracked	1
Bronchitis	1	Shoulder Pains	1
Chest Pain	1	Sprains and Cuts	4
Dilirium Tremens	1	Steam Burns	2
Diving Accident	1	Stomach Disorder	17
Eczema	1	Stomach Ulcer	1
Enteritis	3	Throat Infection	1
Fall Injury	2	Thumb Injury	1
Finger Injury	2	Tonsilitis	2
Hand Injury	1	V.D.	5
Hand Scald	1	Wrist Injury	1
Head and Chest Injury	1		
Influenza	2		
Kidney Complaint	1		66
Lumbago	1		

Of the above, 16 were treated at Hospital or at the Clinic ; the remainder were treated on board or proceeded home.

CASES OF ILLNESS OR INJURY ON BOARD VESSELS REPORTED OR DEALT WITH DURING THE YEAR

Date	Name of Vessel	Where from	Nature of Illness	No. of Cases	Remarks
Jan. 1	Agility	Grangemouth	Enteritis	1	Treated at General Hospital
7	Eastern Saga	Far East v Antwerp	Back & Crutch Injury	1	Treated at General Hospital
7	Livanita	Narvik	Measles	1	Treated on board
10	Agility	Grangemouth	Enteritis	1	Paid off and sent home
			Enteritis	1	Treated on board
28	Seven Stars	Zueitina	Steam Burns	1	Admitted to General Hospital
			Steam Burns	1	Treated at General Hospital
Feb. 14	Laconic	Zueitina	Stomach Disorder	2	Treated on board
Mar. 12	Atomic	Zueitina	Thumb Injury	1	Treated on board
			Stomach Disorder	1	Treated on board
20	Mee Tholstrup	Copenhagen	Influenza	1	Treated on board
Apr. 10	Custodian	South Africa	Kidney Complaint	1	Treated on board
14	Livanita	Monrovia	Shoulder Pains	1	Treated on board
			V.D.	1	Referred to Clinic
18	Atomic	Zueitina	V.D.	2	Referred to Clinic
20	Laconic	Zueitina	V.D.	1	Referred to Clinic
26	Proton	Antwerp	Hand Scald	1	Treated on board
29	Kylix	Copenhagen	Stomach Disorder	1	Treated on board

CASES OF ILLNESS ON BOARD VESSELS—continued

Date		Name of Vessel	Where from	Nature of Illness	No. of Cases	Remarks
May	6	Damodar General T. J. Parks	Monrovia	Chest Pains	1	Paid off & Repatriated
	17	Patricia	Sea	Bronchitis	1	Treated on board
	20	Doric	Zueitina	V.D.	1	Treated on board
				Eczema	1	Treated on board
	22	Laconic	Zueitina	Stomach Disorder	1	Treated on board
June	6	Nnamdi Azikiwe	Takoradi	Arm Strain	1	Treated on board
	11	Thuntank 10	Falkenburg	Ribs Cracked	1	Treated on board
	20	Gene Trafethen	Seven Islands	Stomach Disorder	1	Treated on board
				Back Strain	1	Treated on board
July	12	Gautama Buddha	Port Dampier	Stomach Disorder	2	Treated on board
				Muscle Strain	2	Treated on board
				Back Pains	2	Treated on board
	15	Cape Araxos	Rotterdam	Stomach Ulcer	1	Treated on board
	16	Duke of Yorkshire	Scheveningen	Finger Injury	1	Treated at General Hospital
	20	Duke of Yorkshire	Scheveningen	Fall Injury	1	Treated at General Hospital
	25	Duke of Yorkshire	Scheveningen	Finger Injury	1	Treated at General Hospital
Aug.	3	Duke of Yorkshire	Scheveningen	Ankle Broken	1	Treated at General Hospital
	14	Arvidsjaur	Dakar	Malaria	1	Admitted to West Lane Hospital
	23	British Curlew	Antwerp	Sprains & Cuts	4	Treated on board

CASES OF ILLNESS ON BOARD VESSELS—continued

Date	Name of Vessel	Where from	Nature of Illness	No. of Cases	Remarks
26	Atomic	Zueitina	Stomach Disorder	1	Treated on board
27	Lucy Essberger	Brunsbuttel	Delirium Tremens	1	Paid off & Repatriated
Sept. 3	Amiral S Altincan	Bremen	Respiratory Complaint	1	Admitted to Hartlepool Gen. Hospital
16	Atomic	Zueitina	Hand Injury Stomach Disorder	1 1	Treated on board Treated on board
19	Duke of Yorkshire	Scheveningen	Head & Chest Injury	1	Referred to X-Ray Unit, Gen. Hospital
Oct. 11	Doric	Zueitina	Lumbago	1	Treated on board
17	Gulf Fleet 8	Ekofisk	Diving Accident	1	Died
21	Kef Peter	Milford Haven	Tonsilitis	1	Treated on board
21	De Rode Tulp	Wilhelmshaven	Stomach Disorder	1	Treated on board
31	Efyra	Zueitina	Stomach Disorder	2	Treated on board
Nov. 15	Vardis V	Augusta	Stomach Disorder	2	Treated on board
18	Theonymphos	Ekofisk	Stomach Disorder	1	Treated on board
18	Birling	Antwerp	Influenza	1	Treated on board
23	Duke of Yorkshire	Scheveningen	Throat Infection	1	Treated on board
Dec. 2	Cosmokrat	Antwerp v Glasgow	Fall Injury	1	Died
7	Sylvia 6	Ventspils	Wrist Injury	1	Treated on board
12	Laconic	Zueitina	Stomach Disorder	1	Treated on board
21	Duke of Yorkshire	Scheveningen	Tonsilitis	1	Treated on board

CASES OF ILLNESS ON BOARD VESSELS—continued

Diving Accident : M.V. Gulf Fleet 8 arrived in the port on the 17th October from Ekofisk. The body of a diver from the drilling ship Cupla 1 was landed to the mortuary.

Fall Injury : M.V. Cosmokrat arrived in the port on the 2nd December from Antwerp via Glasgow. The body of a woman found in a hold was landed to the mortuary.

Malaria : M.V. Arvidsjaur arrived in the port on the 14th August from Dakar. One crew member was landed to West Lane Hospital.

Respiratory Complaint : M.V. Amiral S Altincan arrived in the port on the 3rd September from Bremen. One crew member was landed and admitted to Hartlepool General Hospital from the Tees Bay by helicopter.

Steam Burns : M.V. Seven Stars arrived in the port on the 28th January from Zueitina. One crew member was admitted to Middlesbrough General Hospital.

CASES OF ILLNESS OR INJURY DEALT WITH BEFORE ARRIVING AT THE PORT

Enteritis : M.V. Agility arrived in the port on the 10th January from Grangemouth. Two crew members were treated on board at Grangemouth, one then being paid off and sent home.

NATIONALITY OF FOREIGN VESSELS

Holland	635	Nigeria	5
Germany	621	Eire	4
Norway	318	Egypt	4
Liberia	252	Canada	3
Denmark	186	Argentine	3
Sweden	74	Bermuda	3
Cyprus	69	Kuwait	3
Greece	63	Malta	2
France	57	Poland	2
U.S.A.	35	Somaliland	2
U.S.S.R.	28	Thailand	2
Singapore	27	Bangladesh	1
Panama	24	Faroes	1
Italy	21	Switzerland	1
Finland	19	S. Korea	1
Spain	19	S. Africa	1
Japan	16	Syria	1
India	15	Morocco	1
Brazil	14	Yugoslavia	1
Turkey	14		
Belgium	10		2564
Ghana	6		

FOOD INSPECTION

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

IMPORTED FOOD REGULATIONS, 1968

IMPORTED FOOD (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 1973

1. Regular container ship services use the port from Holland and bulk cargoes of cocoa beans and their products arrive from West Africa.

An attempt was made during the year to begin a frozen meat trade into the port but this was subject to conditions imposed by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for the provision of adequate meat inspection facilities. These facilities were not provided and the trade came to nothing.

2. The inspection of foodstuffs under the above Regulations continues to occupy a considerable amount of the time of the Porth Health Inspectors. 3,908 containers were inspected together with 11,498 tons of cocoa beans and their products.

Containerised foodstuffs consisted of canned meats, canned fruits, butter, cheese, fruit pulp, cauliflowers, onions and gherkins in brine, confectionery, groundnuts, cooking fats, sugar, infant food, tea, salt, rice, fresh fruit, fresh vegetables, frozen fish, milk powder, sausages, lard, ginger, frozen kidneys, eggs, tomato powder, dehydrated apples, canned fish, canned chicken, fried onions, margarine, beans, cornflakes.

34 samples were sent to the Public Analyst for chemical analysis. Results in all cases were satisfactory.

THE DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT, 1965

DANGEROUS DRUGS (No. 2) REGULATIONS, 1964

THE POISON RULES, 1960–63

Authorisation was given to the Master of the following ship to obtain small quantities of dangerous drugs/lifeboat outfits:

M.V. Conoco Brittania.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

One rodent control certificate was issued during the year. All other coasting vessels arriving in the port were in possession of international deratting or deratting exemption certificates.

CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956

DARK SMOKE (PERMITTED PERIODS) VESSELS REGULATIONS, 1958

During the year there were twenty-two instances of vessels emitting dark smoke during their stay in port. In each case the nuisance was promptly abated after warning had been given. In summarising the general emission of smoke, it is found the largest amounts of smoke fall in the category of dark smoke or less and the periods of emission are less than those allowed by the Regulations. When black smoke has been observed enquiries have revealed that the cause is principally due to mechanical breakdown. Fan adjustment or burners require changing.

Excellent co-operation by the Masters and Chief Engineers of vessels concerned has always been experienced and the cause of the nuisance is always immediately investigated with positive results.

TRADE STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1974

COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF THE CLASSIFICATION OF VESSELS CLEARING THE RIVER TEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1973 & 1974

(Figures supplied by the courtesy of the Tees and Hartlepool Port Authority)

Net Registered Tonnage	1973	1974	Increase	Decrease
Under 500 tons	2,293	2,420	127	—
500 to 1,000 tons	1,160	1,081	—	79
1,000 to 2,000 tons	228	217	—	11
2,000 to 3,000 tons	178	130	—	48
3,000 to 4,000 tons	154	124	—	30
4,000 to 5,000 tons	88	88	—	—
5,000 to 10,000 tons	501	394	—	107
10,000 to 20,000 tons	93	79	—	14
20,000 to 30,000 tons	105	96	—	9
30,000 tons and over	27	72	45	—
	4,827	4,701	172	298

1974 shows a decrease over 1973 of 126 ships.

SHIP CLEARANCES FOR THE RIVER TEES DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1974

(Figures supplied by the courtesy of the Tees and Hartlepool Port Authority)

	Number of Vessels	Net Registered Tonnage
INWARDS:		
Coastwise	486	976,143
Europe	1,170	2,445,799
Beyond Europe	284	5,013,512
OUTWARDS:		
Coastwise	998	1,394,443
Europe	1,032	611,043
Beyond Europe	581	1,369,546
Vessels in and out light	126	123,677
New Vessels out light	5	107,075
Refuge	19	34,326
Tugs Towing	264	—
	4,965	12,075,564

IMPORTS INTO THE RIVER TEES FOR 12 MONTH PERIODS FROM 1971 TO THE 31st DECEMBER, 1974

(Figures supplied by the courtesy of the Tees and Hartlepool Port Authority)

TONNES

Commodity	1971	1972	1973	1974
Iron Ore	2,620,394	2,207,905	3,200,121	4,989,965
Ores, other ...	391,268	288,896	526,161	335,759
Iron and Steel ...	40,620	31,945	47,634	51,710
Machinery ...	14,537	48,440	85,758	85,309
Chemical Fertilisers	8,011	20,074	20,448	16,451
Chemicals, other	521,955	705,867	842,410	864,694
Petroleum Products	972,288	610,093	692,703	548,291
Crude Oils ...	10,014,548	10,854,618	12,044,990	11,093,442
Crude Fertilisers and Crude Minerals	306,481	336,367	234,292	267,079
Wood and Lumber	2,284	2,425	27,655	5,445
Provisions ...	42,786	107,130	88,318	115,201
Others	129,084	88,367	96,234	58,860
TOTALS	15,064,256	15,302,127	17,906,724	18,432,206

EXPORTS FROM THE RIVER TEES FOR 12 MONTH PERIODS FROM 1971 TO THE 31st DECEMBER, 1974

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TONNES

Commodity	1971	1972	1973	1974
Iron and Steel	598,968	594,464	507,162	353,779
Manufactures of Metal	41,704	39,905	33,234	27,309
Machinery	62,721	60,819	52,831	60,238
Road Vehicles, etc.	13,286	6,365	9,491	10,872
Ores and Scrap	19,439	16,242	6,507	6,874
Chemical Fertilisers	137,598	108,299	117,607	128,104
Chemicals, others	904,529	1,012,007	1,325,364	1,337,909
Pitch	54,174	36,772	44,765	50,560
Petrol, Oils, etc.	3,071,340	3,279,374	3,664,559	2,950,184
Slag and Other basic materials ...	630,455	589,070	583,601	455,251
Other	102,819	133,605	151,147	162,352
TOTALS	5,637,033	5,876,922	6,496,268	5,543,432

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